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CORPORATIONS WIN IN BATTLE AGAINST PUBLIC RIGHTS AT OTTAWA

No Sign of Break in Strike Deadlock—Little Chance of Cars Running Today

RUST ON CAR LINES

REDDER GROWS, WHILE

JITNEY INCOMES LEAP

Men Reject Railway Board Schedule by Overwhelming Majority—Firm on Demands—No Prospect of Service—Conciliators Adjourn.

By a vote of 1,511 to 21 the men of the Street Railwaymen's Union yesterday at noon decided to reject the offer of the Ontario Railway Board of 40 1-8 to 48 cents an hour for an eight-hour day. It was pointed out by officials of the union that the 48 cents on an eight-hour day would give the men even less than they were receiving at 39 cents an hour on the present scale of ten hours. There will be no further rates meetings of the men until at least Monday or Tuesday, and the men are awaiting either a new move on the part of the Ontario Railway Board or the findings of the conciliation board. This was the information given out yesterday afternoon by Joseph Gibbons, business manager for the street railwaymen.

Overwhelming Majority.
The meeting, which was largely attended, voted to reject the offer by an overwhelming majority. Commissioner Harris, as general manager of the railway, had made the following offer:

Commissioner's Offer.
1. An eight-hour day to be instituted wherever practicable, so soon as schedules can be revised.
2. Following wage scale to be paid, namely: First six months, 40 1-8c per hour instead of 39c per hour; second six months, 42 3-8c per hour instead of 39c per hour; second year, 44 3-8c per hour instead of 37c per hour; third year, 46c per hour instead of 39c per hour.
3. All grievances to be adjudicated

GERMAN DELEGATES REACH VERSAILLES

Plans Completed for Signing of Treaty at Three o'Clock This Afternoon.

Paris, June 27.—Dr. Hermann Mueller and Dr. Bell, the German plenipotentiaries to sign the peace treaty, arrived in Versailles this evening. The work of the men composing the council of four today for the signing of the peace treaty at three o'clock Saturday afternoon. No official statement, however, was issued by the council.

The original of the treaty of peace which will be signed by all the plenipotentiaries will be on Japan parchment, according to L'Intransigeant. It will cost 15,000 francs to prepare the document.

The Chinese delegation announced tonight that China would not sign the peace treaty with Germany because China would not be allowed to make reservations concerning the province of Shantung and also had refused the privilege of making a declaration at the time of the signing of the treaty.

Foch Will Be There.
Marshal Foch, not being a delegate to the peace conference, will not sign the peace treaty. He will attend the ceremonies attending the signature Saturday, however, being seated with the French delegation.

The peace conference will not be interrupted by the signing of the treaty with Germany, said Premier Lloyd George will return to London on Sunday and President Wilson will leave Paris tomorrow night. Foreign Secretary Balfour and Secretary of State Lansing will replace the British premier and President Wilson in the work yet to be done. The peace treaty with Austria probably will be taken up Monday.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC TO ACQUIRE TORONTO AND NIAGARA COMPANY

Minister of Railways Announces Big Power Concern Will Be Absorbed and Clean-up Effected in Toronto Electrical Situation.

Ottawa, June 27.—A feature of the debate in the house today was the intimation by Hon. J. D. Reid, that the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission would soon acquire and take over the assets of the Toronto and Niagara Power Company. This means a clean-up of the electrical situation in Toronto, and at Niagara Falls. Dr. Reid spoke as follows: "I am strongly of the opinion from the fight that is being put up that the struggle between the Toronto and Niagara Power Company, and the municipalities will come to an end, probably within a few months, as a result of arrangements they are trying to make in order to arrive at an understanding and have the company taken over by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission."

COMMONS SURRENDERS TO SENATE AND POWER CO. BY MAJORITY OF 77

LADY BORDEN'S MOTHER DIES IN HER 92ND YEAR

Ottawa, June 27.—News has been received of the death today at Borden place, Canby, N.E., of Mrs. John H. Clarke, mother of Mrs. Robert Clarke, who she resided with Sir Robert Clarke her distinguished cousin, the late Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., Mrs. Clarke lived to a ripe old age and was in her 92nd year. She is survived by her son, Dr. A. T. Clarke, now in Colorado, and Lady Borden.

MANY UNEMPLOYED FOLLOWING STRIKE

Hundreds of Winnipeg Strikers Find Jobs Have Been Filled.

Winnipeg, June 27.—J. A. Martin, who took a prominent part in the strike returned yesterday to his home, and who was one of the leading advocates of the "silent parade," which precipitated the riot, appeared in the police court today, charged with sedition. He was remanded.

It was announced at a conference this morning of municipal and military authorities that the riot act will remain in effect here for some days yet. It was also announced that no parole would be granted to any strikers who were held in custody. A permit to open the labor church by a mass service in Victoria Park on Sunday evening was refused. No further statement on the business transacted at the conference was given out. It is understood, however, that the city is ready to deal with any aftermath of the strike that may call for prompt action.

Prisoners Get Bail.
All those arrested during Saturday's rioting will have a chance to get out on bail, Hugh Phillips, K.C., special prosecutor, announced today. He denied a statement that certain number of strikers classed "A" as being liable for deportation, would necessarily be deported, without trial or held without bail. Officers of the R.N.W.M.P. and immigration department are investigating each individual case, and only those who the immigration authorities wish to be deported will not have a civil trial, he said. Twenty-nine persons charged with rioting appeared in police court today. Nine were remanded until July 3 and twenty until July 4.

In a special statement, issued tonight, Mayor Charles F. Gray, pleads for labor, employers, returned soldiers, Dominion, provincial and civil government to co-operate "in making an earnest and determined effort to right any wrongs" which have arisen to the general sympathetic strike just ended.

Refusal to reinstate strikers may lead to further realizations in individual trades. Labor leaders in individual trades, who are being considered by the officers of the various unions. The general strike committee is still in operation, it is learned. The Labor party will meet to receive reports on discrimination from the unions. When the strike committee is disbanded a general committee will be formed to deal with reinstatement, according to present plans. Reinstatement of railway strikers is being handled entirely by the international officers. Strikers applying to the railway for re-employment are being referred to their executives. If re-employment officers, they are being expelled from their organizations are finding it absolutely impossible to secure employment in Winnipeg.

Police Going Back.
Up to 9 o'clock last night Acting Chief of Police Chris Newton was engaged in signing on old members of the police force and when the re-engagement process ceased 165 uniformed and members of the staff, including stenographers and elevator operators, had signed entered the service of the city. Chief Newton states that 220 policemen would be taken back and that about 150 of some forty, he said, were under advisement. The men who have signed the same agreement as the firemen, which forbids affiliation with the Trades and Labor Council, and the taking part in sympathetic strikes. Each man before being again accepted for the force appeared personally before Chief Newton and took the oath of office and signed the agreement.

COMMUNISTS PREPARE REVOLUTION IN ITALY

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RIOT STARTS AT WILLYS-OVERLAND

Two Strikers Arrested—Five Hundred Obstruct Passage of Trucks.

Between four and five hundred strikers of the metal trades gathered around the factory of the Willys-Overland Company, Weston road, last night and attacked employees as they were leaving the factory at 5.30. For a time it looked as if a riot would result, but the mounted police proved successful in dispersing the crowds. Two strikers were arrested and some of the employees slightly injured by flying stones.

A number of the mechanics who went out on strike are said to have returned to duty, and declaring that strike-breakers were working in their places, the strikers started a demonstration.

Reserves Called Out.
Police reserves were held in readiness at 6 o'clock, and when the crowd gathered Inspector Duncan of Keele street station called them into action. The strikers had a long cable which they attempted to spread across the roadways to block motor trucks conveying employees from their work to their homes.

The strikers armed themselves with bricks, which they hurled quite freely at the motor trucks as they pulled out on to the roadway.

Thomas Blakeley, a striking mechanic, living at Fairbank, and William Wilkins, 56 Symington avenue, were arrested and taken up in No. 9 station, charged with being disorderly.

BREAD DRIVERS' STRIKE NOTHING BUT MYTH

Reliable information in connection with the rumored bread drivers' strike on Monday is to the effect that no strike will be called, that if such a move was contemplated a special meeting would be called at Occident Hall, and that no meeting of any sort is called except for the usual meeting of the union. Those in touch with the situation are at a loss to know how the report originated. At least this was the information given to the press last night.

TRAFFIC POLICEMAN BADLY INJURED

Motorist Held for Negligence and Alleged Disobedience of Orders.

Alleged failure to obey traffic regulations resulted last night in a serious motor car accident at the corner of Bloor and Bathurst streets, in which a traffic policeman was seriously injured and the driver of the motor car was arrested.

The accident occurred at the intersection of the two streets. Constable William Examinator, directed traffic in the centre of the road when a north-bound automobile driven by Roland Wells, 45 Garnet avenue, ran into a passing motor. Western Hospital in a passing motor. Examinator, the policeman's skull to be fractured and he was still unconscious at midnight.

Disregarded Hand.
The police of No. 11 station say that Strand had just allowed a north-bound car to cross the intersection. He then signalled all north and south-bound traffic to stop, in order to allow waiting east and west-going cars to proceed. Wells, it is alleged by the police, disregarded the officer's outstretched hand and continued to drive north over the car tracks. Strand was facing north and was struck from behind.

Wells was taken to the police station and after being examined by plainclothesmen was detained and will appear this morning in police court on a charge of criminal negligence. Strand lives at 211 Ellsworth avenue.

TROOPS OCCUPY HAMBURG ORDER PARTIALLY RESTORED

Immediate Cessation of Hostilities and Release of Prisoners Ordered—Communist Members of Berlin Soviet Arrested.

Berlin, June 27.—Government troops entered Hamburg today, according to advices from that city. The occupation is proceeding in an orderly manner. The Communist declined to give guarantees which would have averted the occupation of the city. The troops ordered the immediate cessation of hostilities, the release of all prisoners held by the Communists, and the delivery of weapons. All criminals released during recent turbulent events were ordered returned to jail.

The cessation of the rioting are estimated to have been 20 killed and from 150 to 200 wounded.

On the surface, the situation is quiet. The houses are open, the official offices are doing business, and the city transportation systems are operating.

The casualties in the rioting are reported, announced they would seize and destroy the ships if the food situation in Hamburg does not improve at once.

Will Oppose Entry.
The only measure the Communist leaders in Hamburg apparently have been able to agree on, the opposition to the entry of government troops. It is felt here there is a possibility that civil war may break out in Hamburg if the government troops should attack the city.

Arrests in Berlin.
The Independent Socialist and Communist members of the executive council of the greater Berlin soviet, were arrested Thursday night by order of Minister of Defence Noske. They are charged with having been in collusion with the leaders of the uprising in Hamburg.

The arrests followed the interception of a telephone message late Wednesday night between Hamburg and Berlin in which the insurgents ordered the Hamburg informed the Berlin local leaders to give up their arms and to take active steps immediately. The Hamburg leaders in return advised the Berlin leaders to arm their partisans for the purpose of opposing the government troops being mobilized in the western suburbs.

The Independent Socialists and Communist in the soviet are facing charges based on treason. Among those implicated are Richard Muelier, the chairman of the committee, and Herr Danzig. Muelier is known by the sobriquet of "over my dead body."

COMMUNISTS RELEASED

London, June 27.—Reuters' Berlin correspondent says that the Independent Socialist and Communist leaders of the greater Berlin soviet, executive council arrested Thursday night by order of Gustav Noske, minister of national defence, have been released.

Flundering commenced Thursday evening in the western suburbs of Berlin, beginning at Schoneberg and extending quickly, the correspondent said. There was also looting at Prenzlauer Berg. Troops have been sent to aid the resident guard to restore order.

CANADA TO FLOAT \$75,000,000 LOAN

Negotiations in U. S. for Issue, on Basis of Five and Half Per Cent., Completed.

New York, June 25.—This morning's New York Sun says: That negotiations for the flotation in this market of a new loan of \$75,000,000 to the Canadian government have been completed was learned in an authoritative quarter. Such details as the allotment of the loan to be long-term and to be offered on a basis of 5 1/2 per cent, or better, will be floated early next month. The purpose of the loan is to provide part of the funds to meet the maturity of the \$100,000,000 Canadian government two-year 5 per cent unsecured gold notes, which were put out on a 5 per cent basis.

Arrangements thus far consummated include the decision of the Canadian government to borrow \$75,000,000 here and the agreement of the syndicate which handled the issue two years ago to underwrite the proposed financing. Such details as the allotment to the underwriting syndicate, the formation of a distributing syndicate, the final decision as to the terms of the bonds, the rate of interest and the offering price must be worked out. The assurance given to the Canadian government is that the loan will be made a success and that the cost of the money will not be more than 5 1-2 per cent.

J. P. Morgan & Co., Brown Bros. & Co., and Harris, Forbes & Co., were the managers of the syndicate which successfully floated at the end of July, 1917, the \$100,000,000 two-year notes, and it is expected that they will manage the new issue. The rest of the underwriting group two years ago were the First National Bank, the National City Company, the Guaranty Trust Company, the Bankers' Trust Company, the Bank of Montreal and Wm. A. Read & Co.

HANDLEY-PAGE PLANE WILL START FLIGHT TODAY

St. John's, Nfld., June 27.—Vice-Admiral Mark Kay announced tonight that he hoped to start his transatlantic flight in the Handley-Page biplane tomorrow.

SAYS CONSERVATIVES TO BE HEARD FROM

Hon. Robert Rogers Declares Organized Forces of Party Will Be Strong Factor.

Ottawa, June 27.—Hon. Robert Rogers, former minister of public works, in an interview here today, commented on the movement to organize a Unionist party which was given a start at the government caucus yesterday by the adoption of a resolution declaring in favor of the principle of no dissent. He declared that he had heard and felt the main proposition of the Conservatives everywhere when he stated that from this time forward no dissent for representation in any constituency of Canada will be reached until the organized forces of the Conservative party have been heard and felt. Mr. Rogers further declared that the main proposition of the Unionist government was pending on its existence was the Laurier in connection with the war. This afforded an opportunity for capitalization of war conditions, and these conditions have now been removed.

WILL MEET IN TORONTO.
Kansas City, Mo., June 27.—John Kenyon of New York today was elected president of the International Association of Fire Engineers in convention here. Toronto members selected as the meeting place in 1920.

SATURDAY BEFORE DOMINION DAY.
Today should be a rush day for Men's Hats. Thousands are going away for their holidays over Dominion Day. Stores will be all closed all that day. Dinwiddie has made preparations for two big days' selling—today and Monday. New lines of Panamas and Straws have been added, and without any pretence at boasting, the Dinwiddie values are exceeding: Inviting Panama, \$5.00 to \$15.00; smooth or notched Straws, \$2.50 to \$6.00; Raincoats, \$2.75 to \$25.00; Outing Hats, Tweed Caps, in all the popular shapes. Call into Dinwiddie's, at 140 Yonge street, today. Store closes at 6.

GIVE NELSON PLATE TO BRITISH NAVY

Historic Relics Presented on Behalf of Unknown by Navy League Deputation.

London, June 27.—A deputation from the Navy League, headed by the Duke of Somerset, president of the league at the admiralty, yesterday handed over to Right Hon. Walter Long, certain pieces of Nelson plate, as a gift to the fleet from an anonymous donor.

The Duke of Somerset, in announcing the plate, said it had been sold as part of the famous Bridport collection of Nelson relics in 1895, and was subsequently acquired by the donor. It was used by Lord Nelson aboard the Victory, up to the day his death.

Right Hon. Walter Long, receiving the plate on behalf of the admiralty, expressed the pleasure which the officers and men of these ships would feel at the gift, not only owing to its great sentimental and historic value, but because it was presented by the donor, which had done so much to ensure the maintenance of a sufficient and efficient navy.

BRIDE-TO-BE HOPES TO WIN THE WORLD HOME

She and Her Prospective Husband Decide to Enter "Salesmanship Club" Race and Try to Capture the \$5000 Home.

There is a young woman in a prosperous little town in Ontario who wrote a very interesting letter to The World's "Salesmanship Club" department. Her plans as expressed were so well laid out and she seemed so enthusiastic that The World has given her every encouragement and wants to say right now that, if her enthusiasm does not slacken, she will certainly be among the top-notch people.

This young woman expects to be married soon and seems to think that a \$5,000 home would be a mighty nice thing to start off with. She talked the matter over with her fiancé, who did not seem quite as enthusiastic over the idea as she did. However, when she told him that the home to be given by The World was not one that had already been purchased and which might have been in a locality that would not serve their purpose, but that the winner could select any \$5,000 home, anywhere, he soon realized that the proposition was worthy of consideration, and then when he understood that all that was necessary to do was to secure subscriptions to The World and that it was a bona fide business proposition all the way thru, he decided to lead the way, as well, and now the two of them are going to put in all their spare time soliciting subscriptions to The World to try to be the winner of the first prize, the \$5,000 home.

Everyone's Chances Equal.
This young woman may win the home. There is no reason at all why she has not as good a chance as any one else. In this campaign, everybody's chances of winning are equal. Every detail connected with the "Salesmanship Club" is as liberal and as fair to all concerned as it is possible for The World to make it.

While many entries are coming in and enthusiasm is increasing daily in this big proposition, there are many parts of the territory covered by The World which are still unrepresented.

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Toronto and Niagara Power Co. Retains Right to Place Poles and Wires Where It Likes—Bell Co. Wins—W. F. Maclean Says, Reform the Senate.

Special to The Toronto World.
Ottawa, June 27.—The house of commons knuckled down to the senate today and rode rough shod over public rights. The franchise of the Toronto and Niagara Power Company to sell and distribute electric power in Toronto, and erect poles and wires wherever it pleased, remains intact. The Bell Telephone Company may still charge a surtax upon long distance messages coming from the subscribers of independent lines. The railway commission can fix railway rates without the slightest regard to any contract made by the company, even though such contracts have been sanctioned by act of parliament.

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Every one was disposed to blame the senate but W. F. Maclean (South York) reminded the house that a majority of the senators had been appointed by Sir Robert Borden. He was disappointed that the prime minister had not taken more precaution in regard to public rights. The time had come, he said, to reform or abolish the senate. The war had been waged for democracy, and we must have democratic government in Canada.

A number of government supporters balked at the proposal to support the Toronto and Niagara Company have up to be counted on a handful. They included Major H. M. Mowat, Cape Breton, and W. F. Maclean, Ontario. The Liberal's Maclean, of man followed John McKenzie in supporting the government.

When the vote came to be taken on the telephone clause a good many Unionist members absented themselves from the chamber, and the vote for the government fell from 70 to 70. Twenty members voted in the Toronto district named as having voted in favor of the municipality.

A feature of the day was the intimation by Hon. J. D. Reid that the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission was about to acquire the assets of the Toronto and Niagara company. Dr. Reid house to remedy the present situation and the exaction of the Bell Telephone monopoly, but as Major Mowat of Parkdale pointed out, these bills, if passed by the house, would have a bitten in a cage full of terriers.

Senate Reverses.
When the bill to amend and consolidate the railway act was called, Hon. J. D. Reid moved that clause 5 of section 226, be reinstated. He said that the senate had struck out this clause, but was willing to have it restored. The clause provided, in effect, that the Dominion Railway Commission should have a general power to fix railway rates, notwithstanding any agreement as to rates made by any company, even though such agreement had been sanctioned by provincial or Dominion legislation.

Suggestion by W. F. Maclean.
W. F. Maclean (South York), said he recognized the purpose of the amendment was to enable the railway commission to raise the railway rates in order to meet the increased cost of operation. Such an increase would be necessary but parliament should pause before setting aside solemn contracts made in the past between provinces and railway companies and between municipalities and railway companies. The amendment, he said, would invalidate the Crow's Nest Pass agreement and other contracts of that kind. He thought that all parties interested should have a chance to be heard, and suggested that sub-section five be dropped from the present and the whole subject come up for discussion at a subsequent session of parliament. Many municipal agreements were in jeopardy as for example the contract between the town of Burlington, Ontario, and the Hamilton Electrical Radial Company.

Brings Stewart to Feet.
This brought to his feet Mr. Thomas J. Stewart, the venerable member for West Hamilton, who proceeded to spill the beans for the government. He said that the city of Hamilton was interested in having the Hamilton Electric Radial Railway continue operations, but it was impossible for the road to run unless it could obtain higher rates than those prescribed by legislation. He had therefore asked Dr. Reid to amend the railway act so as to permit

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